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DECLARATION and POWER OF ATTORNEY

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe that we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Coated Vascular Grafts and Methods of Use," the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.
☒ was filed on August 20, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/933,256.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

We hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent, United States provisional application(s), or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, United States provisional application, or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

PRIORITY APPLICATION(S)			Priority Claimed?
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We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which becomes available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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